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PATENT APPLICATION

Our Docket No. 980457.ORI

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re App : Rodney W. Salo et al. : May 11, 2006  
S.N. : 09/545,536 : Art Unit 3762  
Filed : April 7, 2000 : Examiner Mark Bockelman  
For : CARDIAC RHYTHM MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEM WITH OPTIMIZATION OF  
CARDIAC PERFORMANCE USING HEART RATE

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to a non-final Official Action dated January 11, 2006 in the subject application. That Action carried a shortened-statutory period for response of three months and was set to expire on April 11, 2006. A request for a one-month extension accompanies this paper to extend that date to May 11, 2006.

It is requested that the following amendments be entered: